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Dear John:

We recently had the pleasure of interacting with Examiner Mary E. Mosher who has been the primary examiner in the above-identified application. Examiner Mosher has risen above and beyond the call of duty to assist us in a complicated situation which came about, in part, due to recent changes to the rules of practice.

Subsequent to receiving a Notice of Allowance in the above-identified application, the rules regarding post-payment submissions changed, precluding the applicant from amending drawings. In the event our drawings did not comply, the applicants' only recourse was to refile the pre-GATT application resulting in severe loss of patent term. Elevating substance over form, Examiner Mosher took the initiative to work with the applicant and draftsperson to ensure the drawings complied. This greatly assisted the speedy progression of this pre-GATT application to issuance which is expected in the near future. Her assistance provided a great service to us and to our client. Examiner Mosher's dedication is to be commended.

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